

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
Minutes
January 9, 2013

Board Attendance Record

William Dryburgh (97/107)
Gregg Marsh (3/3)
Maria Greenberg (32/37)
Paul Bigness (0/1)
John Hitzel (32/33)
Fred Pazona (20/25)
Katherine Ariens (20/22)

Present

Bill Dryburgh
Gregg Marsh
Maria Greenberg
John Hitzel
Fred Pazona
Katherine Ariens

County Representatives

Andy Stevens, Interim Director/Parks & Natural Resources
Commissioner Ken Doherty
Marc Solomon, Aquatics Supervisor
Bonnie Blair, Administrative Assistant II

Guests - none

Call to Order

All members were present for the field trip, except newly appointed Paul Bigness.

1. Field Trip to Oyster Creek Regional Park Pool and Placida Boat Ramp Overflow Parking Lot

- Members met at the Oyster Creek Regional Pool meeting room for a short meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- A motion to elect a Chairman resulted in a unanimous vote for Bill Dryburgh.
- A motion to elect a Vice-Chairman resulted in a unanimous vote for John Hitzel.
- A motion to approve the November and December 2012 minutes was unanimously carried.
 - Note: Add to November meeting minutes Katerine Ariens report from the Youth Sport Council meeting she attended.
 - One issue was identified: dogs on the field at softball and baseball games with no leashes.
 - A sign was requested that says to keep the "Dog on Leads" at our parks for the protection of everyone.
- A motion to approve naming the gymnasium at the Harold Avenue Recreation Center for "Coach Cookie" Vivian Hall was approved unanimously.



After leaving the meeting room, Marc Solomon, Aquatics Supervisor, gave a tour of the pool facility and answered questions from the members.

It was a nice warm record setting 86 degree day.





We traveled to the other end of the park and observed the football field planted with paspalum grass, which was not wearing well. A recommendation to replant with Bermuda grass has been made.

(Not pictured) Next we observed a field that was planted with Bermuda grass and saw the difference in the appearance and wearability.





We traveled down 775 to the Placida Boat Ramp Overflow Parking lot and walked down to the small beach. The beach was loaded with shells and the lot had pine trees, palmetto and some small cactus plants.



Fred Pazona pointed out an osprey nest on one of the channel markers.



Members viewed the lot and discussed the possibilities for utilization.





Pictured are members of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. From left to right: Vice-Chairman John Hitzel, Katherine Ariens, Fred Pazona, Maria Greenberg, Gregg Marsh, Commissioner Ken Doherty, and Chairman Bill Dryburgh (new member Paul Bigness did not attend).

Members were transported back to the Oyster Creek Regional Park Pool parking lot.

Meeting Adjourned

This field trip ended at 2:30 p.m.

CC: Commissioner Ken Doherty, District 1
Commissioner Chris Constance, District 2
Commissioner Bill Truex, District 3
Commissioner Stephen Deutsch, District 4
Commissioner Tricia Duffy, District 5
Raymond Sandrock, Administrator
Kelly Shoemaker, Assistant County Administrator

